

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH A LIMITED PERIOD AMNESTY PROGRAM FOR UTILITY DEBTS OWED TO THE CITY OF ROCHELLE

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle is a body politic and corporate, organized and existing pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5-1-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to enhance the collection of past due utility (electric, water, sewer, garbage and internet) charges, a limited amnesty program (“Amnesty Program”) which provides an incentive to prompt payments is in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS as follows:

SECTION 1. The foregoing Recitals are not mere preparatory language but are hereby incorporated in this Section 1 as if said Recitals were fully set forth.

SECTION 2. Beginning November 1st 2018, any person who owes the City of Rochelle for unpaid final utility bills for electricity, water, sanitary sewer, refuse service and internet, under Chapter 98 of the City Code that occurred between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2012, and pays to the City seventy-five (75%) percent of the entire amount due for such delinquent utility bills, the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to accept payment therefor and the unpaid utility bills shall be deemed settled, compromised and satisfied.

SECTION 3. The City Manager is authorized to coordinate and implement the notification of this Amnesty Program to eligible persons and other entities and to supervise the collection of monies through the City’s Finance Department.

SECTION 4. All prior Ordinances, Resolutions and Personnel Policies in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby expressly repealed but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.